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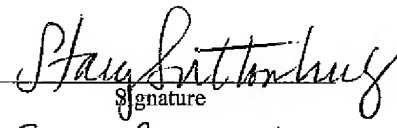
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action mailed on July 22, 2008.
Please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.